

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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ACCEPTANCE OF CHINA-TAIWAN RELATIONSHIP
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government of India proposes to accept One-China theory in the context of China- Taiwan relationship;
- (b) if so, the details of the India's Policy in this regard;
- (c) whether there is any policy to have a separate trade and commerce ties with Taiwan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)-(d) The Joint Declaration issued during the visit of Chinese President Hu Jintao to India in November 2006 states, "The Indian side recalls that India was among the first countries to recognize that there is one China and that its one China policy has remained unaltered. The Indian side states that it would continue to abide by its one China policy. The Chinese side expresses its appreciation for the Indian position."

Government of India do not have diplomatic or official relations with Taiwan. There exist non-governmental trade, economic, cultural, S&T, educational and people-to-people contacts between the two sides.